



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 2100**

**PATENT**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 09/994,516 Confirmation No. : 8536  
Applicants : Trung T. Doan and Dean A. Klein  
Filed : November 26, 2001 Attorney Docket No.: 500966.01  
Art Unit : 2111 Customer No. : 27,076  
Examiner : Thomas J. Cleary  
Title : MACHINE STATE STORAGE APPARATUS AND METHOD

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Sir:

Applicants herewith petition the Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for a three-month extension of time for filing the response to the Office Action dated June 28, 2006, from September 28, 2006, to December 28, 2006. Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$1810, which includes \$1020 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-1266. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.